

ON TO THE GULF.

harbors on the gulf. If the object is to be worth the time and money expended, The great productive area of the there is no time to lose. If we are pay-North American continent lies walled in ing excessive freight charges, by reason by a range of mountains to the east, by of one thousand miles extra rail shipment a range of mountains to the west and by we have paid them long enough. If we are to have relief by the improvement of the boundary line of a sparsely settled forour natural harbors, it cannot be dene any too soon. Ample appropriations eign country on the north. This area produces not only all the grains and the have already been made by the govern meats that feed the great majority of ment for the work at some points, but the people of the United States, but its there seems to be unnecessary delay in harvest fixes the prices of these proprosecuting it to a finish. If the per diem of overseers or superintenducts in every central market of the world. All of the waters of this vast domain comprising a dozen states, flow known to congress and all parties in into the Gulf of Mexico, and the incline of terest. If the work is retarded by eastall the country, thus embraced, is to the ern railway interests the west and the ports of those southern waters. Notsouth should unite in a vigorous and agwithstanding these physical conditions gressive effort to put them down. What the export tonnage of this field of the is ours by inheritance is not to be taken from us by any combination or influence, world has been by a combination however great. These natural outlets of developments and interests are as much a part of our wealth and forced over the eastern resources as our new, rich soil or generof obstruction, at an unwarranted exous sunlight. They afford us the same pense, and on to Atlantic ports. Owing facilities for handling goods for export to a stringency of economical conditions that New York harbor provides for the the burthen of this extra expense of eastern and middle states. It would be an insane freak for the transportation has come to be felt by the producer and by every industrial enterfarmer or the merchant of Pennsylvania or Vermont to consign his goods to prise of the west, but especially by those Mobile New Orleans or Galveston for of the transmissouri region, embracing export. Yet that is the very thing Kansas, Nebraska, the Dakotas and Colwhich our trans-missouri states are orado. The freight rates of the all rail doing every day. The ruinous rates on haul of from fifteen hundred to two the long overland haul often determine whether certain crops will pay, or certhousand miles, across great rivers and tain much needed enterprises can be over high mountains, has been consummade self sustaining or not. This coning the small margin of profits left to the dition is abnormal and will not last. We producer in such grievous proportions know our rights and will stand for that the sufferers have come to seek a a remedy. The first proposition which That the change will result in buildconfronted them, as it was the most obing two or three great cities on the gulf vious one, was why should their procoast, is no loss to the west. This will represent, in part, the great benefit to ducts be forced to seek such distant ports the south in forwarding the movement, over such expensive routes, with existing and the west will simply regard it as one ports at less than half the distance? The of the fruits of the reciprocity of effort answer was withheld for a long time. between the two sections. The Chicago It involved the dividends of all the great papers have already sounded the alarm.

east and west trunk lines of the conti-

nent, whose management had combined

with the capital at their terminals to

render impossible any freight schedule

which looked to the same rate per ton

per mile over any north and south road

to any Gulf port. The same through

rate must be maintained from any point

in the trans-missouri to the Gulf that was

charged from the same initial points to

the Chesapeake or the upper Atlantic

ports. A partial lake rate favored the

maintainance of this mandate, and every

north and south line which attempted to

give anything like the same rate per ton

mile, for several classes of freight, in-

cluding flour, grain and meats, was im-

mediately boycotted and otherwise pun-

But the exigencies brought about by commercial collapses and receiverships have cleared the atmosphere in the partial destruction of traffic combines and freight-line trusts, and the producer and dealer of the west, and the buyer and exporter of the south, are getting together for a definition of their rights which, when ascertained, will be enmuch longer be forced to the Missour river for inspection and toll and then forwarded to Alabama, Georgia and Louisiana by way of Chicago. Wichita flour consigned to Savannah is not much longer going to be shipped north and cast via New York City and back in coastwise vessels. Wichita meats are not going much donger to Mobile and New Orleans and to other southern markets by way of the lakes, or which is the same thing, under a system of freight charges which would take them by such a roundabout haul. Wichita is no further from the Gulf than from the Lake and South Kansas wheat and flour and meats bought and consigned to Galveston or other Gulf points for export should be worth about as much at Wichita to the producer as the exporter would have to pay at Chicago. thing. The same rate per ton per mile from Kansas and the transmissouri region to the Gulf as is only charged to Chicago would mean millions of dollars annually to the farmers, to the packers and to the millers of this region.

The EAGLE wishes the convention of grain dealers of the west and of the buyers and exporters and board of trade men of the south, in convention in this city today, present success and final vic-

WELL DESERVED.

Judge Bradley did a righteous act in scoring the man Thompson in good vigorous English. It was due the dignity of his court that such an exhibition of the brutal instinct should receive judicial notice, and the public will endorse every word of condemnation by the judge. As a self accused and self convicted culprit Thompson is without a peer. It is difficult to interpret his motive with certainty, but it is fair to assume that he sought to palliate the guilt of his client by making it appear ing into its sixth year. that all men are given to the same offense, including himself. In the first place he wilfully lied in thus casting aspersions on decent men, and in the next place he failed utterly in giving the verdict or not. respectability to crime by acknowledging himself a criminal. On the contrary, there is not one man in 1,000 whose cheek will not burn with indignation. find a quorum in Kansas in favor of its at Fort Riley, ten are victims of riding that one of their species would, in this public manner, glory in his shame. Let him take the execration of the court, let him feel the sting of every decent man's lash and let us hope that there is not become entangled with Coxey's line of even a back door entrance for him to march. respectable society till he is fumigated, renovated and regenerated, soul, body

Mrs. Lease and Mrs. Clougar are to have a joint debate. It is not known what the bone of contention will be, but it probably will be the jawbone.

and spirit.

DEEP WATER THE PIRST BEQUISITE, Benjamin Harrison is the only ex-pres ident living. But he shouldn't worry. Our trade convention can do nothing There will be another pretty soon.

is, in any way, le for this it should

That great western octopus spreads her

entacles over a vast territory which is

in no wise tributary to her. Her agents

and spies will be an active force in the

coming convention, but delegates will do

well to treat the blandishments and

overtures of all eastern interests as

simply an effort to gain time, or defeat

the objects of the convention. It may

be a long pull, but a strong pull and a

pull all together will bring us conven-

prices and greater profits.

almost any other section.

ent barbors, lower freights and better

Willis Gleed's article in the Forum has

opened the eves of some eastern critics

of Kansas. The Bostou Hera'd praises

it warmly and adds: "We are inclined

to think that, with all their defects, the

inhabitants of Kansas represent a class of

the American people who are more to be

depended upon than those who represent

mong the United States senators.

in bank clearings, for the week just ended .- Ft, Scott Monitor.

And both are towns of reviled Kansas.

One of the most dangerous poisons

known to chemists can be made by mix-

ing equal parts of a summer evening, a

closed carriage and a Kentucky con-

There is nothing in the old proverb

about stealing people blind. Most every-

Russell Sage may see a moral. He

had to pay \$25,000 for using a young

man as a shield, and Breckinridge \$15,

000 for using a young woman as a play-

Editor McMaster's experience is suffi-

cient proof that the stomach of the aver-

age Oklahoma editor has reached a point

where arsenic is like water on a duck's

chere to wipe out the house of lords.

almost all his soldiers by name.

tite for budge away from him.

There is a wild, weird suspicion that

practically unanimous.

for this

nore important to further its main pur pose than to memorialize congress to The dispatches say that there is a tieoush the early compl tion of our new up in Chicago. But of course Prender

gast is not at one end of it. Crisp probably all along thought that

Reed's rule for counting a quorum protected by copyright. It is against the law to fish in Kanss this month, but the right to lie is as oper

Bob Ingersoll made \$50,000 last year by simply hounding Moses. And it did not hurt Moses.

Admiral De Mello has surrendered for few days in order to get breath for a fresh revolt.

We could get considerable more rain and yet not be compelled to plant corn

No wonder Breckinridge wants a new trial. The o'd one was about worn out. Judge Bradley will now be able to seek out some quiet spot and gag.

OKLAHOMA OUTLINES. A large natatorium is being built at

Ex-Governor Hubbard of Texas, is lecturing in Oklahoma Bishop Key of the Methodist church outh is in Oklahoma

Mayor Martin of Guthrie appointed W. H. Baxter chief of police. The latest daily paper in Oklahoma is the Newkirk Evening Democrat.

Pogca City last week opened a flour mill with speeches, a dauce and music by the

Fivon. The Flynn idea seems to be the Deputy Marshal Carr who had some with part of the Dalton gang is going to recover.

You may have noticed that the last attempt at robbery reported from Oklahoma anded in the death of the robber. The contest involving land at Seward

between Guthrie and Edmond has been decided in favor of Judge Garland. Rev. A. Worley of Oklahoma City is understood tobe a candidate for the Democratic nomination for congress in Okla-

It is reported that the stage coach be tween Hennessey and Otonga was held up last week and \$300 taken from two pass-

The deputy marshals seem to be creat-

fallen. Ordinarily they would have man-

aged to claim some of the credit of Har The G. A. R. encampment at Guthrie and the Republican territorial convention

Next Monday the editors of Oklahoma meet to throw the gauntlet down to the judiciary. The meeting will be held in

at Oklahoma City are booked for the same

Not a paper in Oklahoma bas published McMaster's apology to Judge Scott. In

the newspaper fraternity an injustice to me is an injustice to all. Four years ago a farmer in Oklahom eceived sixty carp from Washington and carefully tended them. He now has something like 4,000 carp.

It is slowly creeping in on the mind of Coxey that the "Unknown," the only Jacob Guthrie of North Enid, who is man who has forced discipline into the aid to have a great deal of influence over ranks, is a Pinkerton detective in disthe Cherokees has been invited to Musko guise. He has gained complete control. gee by the Dawes commission. There is no doubting it-the Oklahoma

The fact that the three men who sat editors are out for blood. They are not all through Peffer's speech last week going to submit their copy to the gentlevere asieep shows that the custom of atnen on the bench before they print it. tending church has not entirely died out Senator Wolcott the other day supported

he Rock Island railroad as against Enid and that town would like to be included Wichita and Emporia are the only in Colorado for voting purposes for about

Something should be done to allow the ewspapers of Perry and Enid each to asert that its town is the best in the strip and yet at the same time permit them to tell the truth.

The Republicans of Perry are perfectly ardonable in holding strongly to the prinion that it is a great tuing to be lected to an office but it is a greater thing to get the office.

SKITS OF KANSAS NEWS

body in Kansas can see, and we have The pet of the poet, Eugene Ware, is had a Pop administration almost two three legged dog.

The Arkansas river is reported to be quite moist at some points. The Standard Oil company is watching outhern Kansas, as a hawk would watch

State Superintendent Gaines has the renuation of being the most partisan man

in the state house. Ed Hoch compares the governorship of Kansas to a foot ball, and then kicks because it has been kicked.

Bright's disease of the kidneys, a plutoratic ailment, is what is the matter with Corbett has gone to England, and it is Jerry Simpson. He is very sick. There was a good deal of rain, but the current gossip among part of his follownecessity of the invention of a waterproof

ers, that he has been hired by Laboucornfield is not felt yet in Kansas. As a matter of fact there are no Kansans in Coxey's army. Kansans may cuss con-Mrs. Frank Leslie can name every one gress, but they are going to sit down to it. of her former husbands. It will be re-A fine idea of rapid transit can be gained membered also that Napoleon could call by western people this fall by simply watching Jerry Simpson return from con-

A Topeka man has sued Dr. Keely for Two young people of Topeka are taking injuring his health. It is a cruel thing their bridal tour on bicycles. Probably to take a Topeka man's capacious appethe best thing about a bicycle is that it is In society, a girl cannot make two de-Chauncey Depew has announced him-

mts. A great many people are wondering self as a candidate for the United States if it is that way with John J. Ingalls and presidency. It is understood that he is Kansas politics. From the noise it is making, it is feared

According to a Paris journal, we are ing its chest measurement at the exglad to learn coats are now worn longer pense of its legs. . than ever before. Ours is already pass-Governor Lewelling is a devotee of the

game of base ball. It would probably be an easy thing for the present state school In some parts of Kentucky, it is said, tund commissioners to steal bases. "Did the west impress me?" said the there is a good deal of argument over the question whether Cleveland will sign New York man, who had been wafted over

three counties by a Kansas cyclone, should say so. It carried me by storm." Taking headers from a biercle isn't nearly as dangerous as equestrianism. Of the Hoch boom is afraid that it cannot the fifteen patients in the army hospital

Mrs. Lease told a Detroit reporter that As yet no one has explained the singushe believed she was a woman of destiny, larity of the fact that no buil dog has "and," added, "as a women of destiny I feel that I will one day meet a violent and

sudden death for my opinious." One of the unthinkable enigmas of the EVERYBODY EVERYWEERS. Senator Hill has received more than 1,000 elegrams and letters complimenting and ongratulating him upon his speech. times is the fact that Breckinridge didn't sooner learn that Madeline could kick.

Governor Lewelling has the reputation of being, among other varieties, a baseball crank. And he has a habit of getting off The Populist administration of Kancas during the last week succeeded by a great effort in eluding all bunco men.

Cleveland, Hill, Crocker, Tillman, Cochrau, Voorhees and Brice are all Democrats. But they don't all sleep in the

Colonel Denby, United States minister to China, is so seriously ill that he has been granted leave to come home. He is

Speaker Crisp has learned that the only favorite role of the Democratic congressman is the pay roll. There is always a quorum when the pay roll is called. Rev. Dr. Burnham of Springfield, Mass., has finally decided to accept the flattering call to the Pilgrim church of St. Louis, which was recently extended to him.

Bishop Bonacum, roman catholic, of Lincoln, Neb., who is being tried for var-ious offenses by Archbishop Hennessey, is an Irishman by birth, but a German by

William D. Howells says that it would do him good to chop wood or aig potatoes a couple of hours every day. The reading public would not object if he were to make it twenty-four hours.

Samuel Southey Smith of San Antonihas caused his infaut son to be named Samuel Southey Sagamore Sanol Smith. Is there no society for the suppression of cruelty to children in San Autonio? Judge Bonney of Portland, Me., holds that a woman can make a good wife with

out being able to make good bread. Though an un-knesded accomplishment, however, it is a handy one in most house-Frederick Frenning, a St. Louis sextor who has just died, will be buried in a grave which be dug eleven years ago and which he has kept covered with boards and around which he has planted flowers and

caused him to be known during the war as "Lee's Bad Old Man," was in his later years, according to the testimony of a Richmond fried, "a daily reader and thorough student of the Bible."

Major Fitzgerald, leader of the Net England wing of the Industrial army, wants the government to give him a ship to take his recruits from Fall river to Baltimore. The mountain climbers in Coxey's main column would be glad to give them some of the hardships they are experiencing.

Jim Corbett sailed for Europe Thursday. No other passenger had such a big send-off as this pugilist. He was presented with a number of floral pieces and baskets of champagne, and a delegation of friends, accompanied by a band, saw him safeiy down the barbor. Over 1,000 persons gathered at the dock to see him off.

TROPICAL PRUITS.

activeen five and six million bunches of bananas are sold in this city every year, and though St. Louis consume the bulk of these, a great deal is shipped to points between here and San Francisco. The big warehouses in which this fruit is stored and brought to maturity before selling and shipping are located along North Third street. A ramble among these brings out many interesting points, not only about the methods employed in handling and ripening bananas, but a deal of other tropical fruit.

Bananas for the St. Louis market come from points in British Honduras, Jamaica and the islands of the southern Atlantic ocean. Port Limon, Boco del Foro, Port Antonio, Araranca and the Blue Fields of Nicaragua are the greatest producers.

The bananas grow on great plantations, and as they are cut are carried on the backs and heads of natives to big vessels which are engaged in the business of transporting tropical fruits to the United States. The fruit is green when loaded into the hull of the vessel, and care must be taken, no only in loading the cargo in the vessel's hold, but also in preventing, by the use of ventilation, any sweating process that would arise if the hold were al-

lowed to grow warm In this green state the fruit intended for St. Louis and points on the Mississippi is loaded on boats or cars at Mobile and near New Orleans, From the landing stages where the boats arrive, or from the freight shed, it it hauled in huge express wagons to th warehouses already mentioned and in front of these any fine day when a cargo of bananas is being received the scenes are truly interesting.

As the big trucks, loaded with their precious freight, pull up before the doors hundreds of Italian peddlers, ragged urchins and negro scramble for such of the fruit as, hav ing ripened on the bunches, may fall to the sidewalks, and the scenes that follow the scufile are amusing in the extreme.

Now that the fruit has arrived safely at its destination it requires even more of an outlay of watchfulness and experience to prepare it suitably for the market. The bunches are carried to long dark rooms where steam pipes or gas stoves keep the temperature at different degrees of heat, varying from fifty to seventy-five degrees Fahrenheit. The finer formed bunches, bear ing the larger class of fruit, are hung on the bottom racks, while the smaller sized go to the top because the heat rises and concentrates along the cellings of these rooms, thereby giving greater force to the small fruit, which ripens more slowly than the larger sort. The orders that come in for bananas

usually state the stage of ripeness in which the buyer desires the fruit shipped to him. The packing must be very carefully, as it is without doubt the most tender of all tropical fruits to handle.

First, the bunches are placed in big paper bags and these are then dipped into cases lined with straw or salt hay as a still further protection against the changes of tempature. In this packing they are easily shipped to the most distant points in the country.

Aspinwall was at one time the greatest port for the shipment of this fruit to the United States, but since the Pacific Fruit Transportation Co. ceased operating their line of steamers, this business has fallen away altogether.

Oranges of every sort-navel, tangerine and grape fruit-are plentiful in these great stock-rooms, and the supply is usually drawn from Florida, although California is called upon at no game. Summer an' fall thar's plenty Of the Florida fruit the best uv grub, an' then we don't tech the comes from Citra, Leesburg, Orange Bend on the Indian river, Tampa, Gainesville, Emerald island and points in the south and southeast of the state. cabin, a prototype of the first, even to Tangerines and grape fruit-kid-glove the appearance and number of the oranges, as termed by the fruit deal- family. They were all lank, cadaverers-are comparatively new in this ous and bluish looking, with dull market and are little known, though | leaden eyes and a physical appearance in the far south the cooks use them in of partial paralyzation. They were delightful salads, marmalades and slow in movement and obtuse, and to cake dressings or puddings. They are my mind apparently mentally deficient higher grade in flesh, flavor and price At this cabin the same questions were than the Florida oranges, and are usu- asked, and the same admission made ally packed more carefully in their as to the custom of clay-eating, and wooden cases. The long gray Spanish the same process of manipulation was moss that was formerly used in packing is done away with by paper, tinsel steff.

Mediterranean sea, and especially in the custom. They said that the

from Sicily. Figure received in bags from Arabia and these are the coarser ort. Finer, larger figs are sent from many points in the far east and are beautifully laid one upon another, with alternate layers of their own leaves,

and packed in wooden cases.
Almena and Malaga in Spain furnish the finest varieties of white grapes and raisins. The grapes are all shipped in half-barrels, packed in cork dust; the raisins in fine boxes, whose covers are elaborately colored lithographs of Spanish vineyard scenes, or of darkeyed sons of sunny Spain making love to some fair senorita on the shady slope

Dates, always in sacks made of plaited "vegetable palm," are received from Arabia and Turkey, and this quality much heavier and darker in color than the Golden date which comes only from

EATERS OF CLAY.

The correspondent, who was at tached to a corps of engineers, geolo gists and naturalists who were making tour of investigation through the wilderness of the Smoky mountain region of North Carolina several years since when near the watershed which drains westward into the New river in West Virginia and the headwaters of the Big Sandy, was informed by resident mountaineers that about twenty miles away there was a neighborhood in which every resident was said to be a clay eater. Accompanied by Capt. Denton, a mountain guide, and a negro servant, we crossed the range through a ten-mile ride, upon a narrow creek, which subdivided a little valley between two parallel mountains. Here out settlement of perhaps forty or fifty

"Every pusson on this ver crik is : clay-cater," said the guide, as we approached a low-roofed, rude log cabin, the door of which stood wide open, fac

ing the stream.

A tall, sallow, stoop-shouldered man of forty or fifty stood near the door, from which on our approach streamed nearly a dozen bare-headed, bare-footed children, ranging from two to eight een years of age. The man was clad in coarse hempen shirt and trousers Like the children, he was bare-headed and bare-footed.

Our guide spoke to the man, calling him by name, Dinker, and abruptly introduced the subject of our call.

"Dinker," said he, "they-uns hey rid over the mount'n jes' to see sum uv generally found in little communities uns don't b'leev we-uns kin eet it."

"You-uns 'lite an' kum rite in." said Dinker, "Morg," turning to one of the largest boys, "tek off'n they-uns saddl's an bridles an' turn they-uns' hosses inter the pasture.'

The boy took charge of the animals and led them into a small patch of ground fenced in with a brush fence. We declined to enter the house, giv ing as an excuse that it was much pleasanter under the shade of a big tree which stood near the door. At our request Dinker sent one of his boys, sallow-faced, tow-headed lad of fifteen or sixteen, after some of the clay which was said to be edible. guide and myself accompanied him to the creek, where he stopped in front of a layer or ledge of bluish gray clay several inches in thickness. The stuff, when taken in hand and moistened, felt pliable, soft and oily like putty, and bore much the same general appearance. The boy carried a handful of the clay to his father who, after taking it, gave it another wetting, then, rolling it into a ball

began manipulating it as a painter pre paring putty for use. He rolled it, pressed it out and manipulated it until the greasy, slippery mass became soft, tenacious. Then he separated it into pills or boluses, from the size of a bullet to that of an ordinary marble, with two or three as large almost as a walnut. He gave the smaller children several of the smallest balls or pills, and the larger ones the balance, reserving to himself two of the balls of clay. The boys, girls and the man then

put the balls of clay in their mouths, when, by constant chewing and the aid of the secretions, they soon con verted them into soft, mucilaginous masses, which, with no apparent difficulty, they swallowed.

sleight-of-hand hoeus-pocus about the affair I determined to try the clay myself. I took a piece about the size of a bullet and put it into my mouth. In a short time, without chewing or manipulating it at all. I found that the saliva had completely dissolved the mass. There were no gritty particles apparent, but, on the contrary, the stuff, left an oily feeling, but without semblance of taste.

I didn't swollow the stuff, but could have easily done so but for the repugnance I naturally felt toward eating

After the clay had all been swallowed by the man and children I said:
"Does this stuff satisfy your hunger?" Sartin; thet's why we-uns eet it.

feller kin eet nuff to las' three or foh days, but this yer bunch'll only last till to-morry.

"Doesn't the stuff make you Doesn't it affect you some way when you make what you call a meal out of

"Never heard uv nobody gettin' sich on it, but thar's some ex say it makes "Does any body else in this neighbor

bood eat clay?" "Bout all of they-une do. We-une don't eet it all uv the time. We eet it when we-uns' short uv grub an' thar's

Shortly after we left and continued our ascent of the creek to another

A few lemons are received from the and found a family of clay eaters in Pacific slope, but the greater portion each one, and not one appeared are imported from points along the to think anything strange or unusual

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habit had been inherited from generation to generation, extending so far back that the origin of the habit was unknown to them. I found by interrogation that wherever one clay eate was found there were always others in the same neighborhood. They were like the one above mentioned. planation of this lay probably in ea tracism by those to wnom the habit

was disgusting. What there is in the stuff to suppo life I do not know, and, although I have talked with many well-informer persons who know of these people, not one has yet been able to give a scien tific explanation. Some well in-formed persons believe that the clay contains some highly-nutritive properties in condensed form, but they were unable to give an analysis of these supposed properties. In fact, all of the theories, suppositions and opinions, when summed up, amount to little or nothing.

That there is some nutritive proper tv in the clay referred to must be true, ple who use it often go for days at a time without other food than that which they dig out of the banks of

From the Queen. It is impossible to ascertain which nationality pays the largest amount per capita; but I have approximate figures that give a very good idea of the proportion of nationalities that visit the country, and by these obtain a fairly correct idea, assisted by some experience. These proportions vary but slightly, though last year the American element was notoriously small About two-fifths of the entire total are Germans; about one-sixth are English; form regularly about oneeighth; Austrians, Dutch and Belgians combined, Italy, and the United States with Canada grouped formed about one-sixteenth each, of the total last year, and other nationalities in smaller proportion. But in 1892 the Americans formed one-eighth of the entire total

freely circulating in the states. In actual amount of cash received probably Germany contributes the largest, for though Germans do not always frequent the very best hotels, neither do they ever go to the worst England contributes the next largest amount and rather more per head than Germany, though the increasing abstinence in wine drinking has greatly reduced the English total expenditure of late years.

and will do again when money is more

The French traveling world spends less as a whole than the English, but much more per head; as not only do the French go to the better class hotels and rarely to pensions, but they

invariably order wine more freely. The American, though he is a noto rious faultfinder and disputes every item he can in his bill, probably often spends double or treble the amount of either the English or German, and raises the individual expenditure, assisted by the Russian element, which confines itself largely to French Switzerland, to the heavy average rate of 15 france before quoted. Indeed, it is not too much to say that the Eussians spend probably from 80 france to 60 france per day; the Americans from 20 | forth to wear veils.

frances to 30 france, and the English and the Germans from 10 francs

The Swiss themselves know best how to economize, and their payments per head to the hotel would average but 4 francs to S francs daily -Ex-United States Senator Waltman

T. Willey, now clerk of the county court of Monongalia county, W. Va., is hale and hearty, though he is in his eighty-fourth year, and can be found at any hour of the day at his desk -A lunar rainbow was seen recently at Durham, N. C. While a slight shower was falling the moon shone brightly in

the east, and outlined against a dark western cloud was seen a silvery bow, very bright and clear, for some minutes. It gradually faded with the dis--A scientist thinks that agricult ural chemistry should teach how to make Florida oranges better. To this end he is now engaged in a chemical analysis of the different varieties grown upon different soils, etc., fed by differ-

ent fertilizers, with the idea that he

can do for oranges what the Frenchmen have done for pears and what the grape growers have done for grapes. -The difference between rising every morning at six and at eight, in the course of forty years amounts to wenty-nine thousand two hundred hours, or three years, one hundred and twenty-one days and sixteen hours, which are equal to eight hours a day for exactly ten years. So that rising at six will be the same as if ten year, of life (a weighty consideration) were hours every day for the cultivation of

our minds and the dispatch of business. -From 1885 to 1892 the net income of the Bell Telephone Co. available for dividends ranged from over 18 to more than 27 per cent on the nominal capital. In five of the years it was over 20 per cent, and only a small part of the capital represented other property than the patent. The capital has been increased from time to time to prevent the dividends from exceeding it. It has grown from \$7,350,000 in 1881 to \$30,000,000. The average amount of capital was \$11,209,035, and the dividends in fourteen years have aggregated \$23,106,096. The average rate of lividend has been 14.73 per cent -N. Y. Journal of Commerce

-During the tenta century no wom an was allowed to appear at church without a veil. It must be a real veil, top covering and concealing the features, in order that the prayers and meditations of the men might not be disturbed by the contemplation of feminine loveliness. There was a tradition that the origin of the custom was in an order from a great French saint When a young man, he met a little girl with features so noble and beautiful that, although he was many years her senior, he immediately fell in love with her, because she resembled a young lady to whom he had been engaged years before, but who died in his arms The man and the child separated and he became a priest. Many years later he saw her in the congregation, just at he was entering the pulpit to preach, and the sight disturbed him to such an extent that his sermon was a failure, and he ordered all the women thence-

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